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Summary

ABOUT THIS RELEASE

The Expanded 2002 Child Care Survey CURF is only available through the Remote Access Data Laboratory (RADL).

An Expanded Confidentialised Unit Record File (CURF) from the 2002 Child Care Survey.

The survey collects statistics on the use of, and demand for child care for children under 12 years of age in Australia. Also presents data on the use of the Child Care Benefit and working arrangements of parents with children under 12 years.

Users are able to tabulate, manipulate and analyse data to their individual specifications.

Steps to confidentialise the dataset are taken to ensure integrity of data, optimise its content and maintain confidentiality of respondents. They include removing any information that might uniquely identify an individual, reducing the level of detail for some items and collapsing some categories.

The CURF includes metadata files and documentation to enable users to read the data into SAS or SPSS software. Users can then analyse the data using any method supported by SAS or SPSS, including cross tabulation and correlative analyses.

The Expanded CURF is only available through the Remote Access Data Laboratory (RADL) and contains more variables and more detailed data for selected variables than the Basic CURF. An information paper explaining data content, technical details and conditions of use is available on the ABS web site and via the 'Information by' link on the RADL home page.

For more information, see Access to ABS CURFs at www.abs.gov.au.

Basic CURFs have been released on CDROM for the 1993, 1996 and 1999 Child Care Surveys (Cat. no. 4444.0.30.001). An Expanded 1999 Child Care Survey CURF survey is to be released in December 2004.